

Three methods of requesting/funding more streetlights.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding is one way to increase the number of streetlights in targeted neighborhoods. The federal government determines which areas of Mesa are eligible for CDBG and gives funding to the City of Mesa. Eligible areas are primarily occupied by low to moderate-income residents.

Seventeen neighborhoods in Mesa are targeted for streetlights through this program over a ten-year period. The number of lights installed each year varies based upon available funding. For more information about CDBG funds, contact 644-3660.

Streetlight Spot Improvement Program

The City designed the Streetlight Spot Improvement Program to provide consistent lighting within a neighborhood.

For example, if a neighborhood has ten streets and nine of those streets have three lights and one street has only two lights, the City will install an additional streetlight to match the neighborhood standard. For more information about the Streetlight Spot Improvement Program, contact the Transportation Division at 644-2160.

Special Improvement District

Neighborhoods can form Special Improvement Districts to purchase additional streetlights. The City of Mesa will install the lights if a significant majority of owners in your neighborhood sign a form stating they will pay for the cost of street light installation.

This cost can be paid in total within thirty days without interest, or in annual installments spread out over ten years. The cost of and payment for installation is based on many factors, including: property frontage, square footage, number of houses in the neighborhood and number of streetlights installed. For more information about the Special Improvement District, contact Development Services Administration at 644-2503 or 644-2257.

Three ideas for more effectively lighting up your own property

Dusk to Dawn Lighting

The City of Mesa and the Salt River Project (both of which serve Mesa with electric power) offer a Dusk to Dawn Lighting Program. The purpose of the program is to provide outdoor lighting from dusk until dawn for privately owned property within Mesa.

Under the City program, the City of Mesa will install, own, operate and maintain the

complete lighting installation. The customer signs a contract with the City and is billed monthly. For additional information on the City's Dusk to Dawn Lighting, call 644-2154.

Under the SRP Program, SRP will install, own, operate and maintain the complete lighting installation. The customer signs a contract with a flat monthly fee. For more information on SRP's Security Lighting Program, call 236-8888.

Motion Lights



The best deterrent to criminal activity is to install motion detector lights on your private property. These lights flash on when any motion is detected. They can be purchased and installed inexpensively. Check with local retailers who carry home improvement products for more information.

Outside Lights



Leaving your front and backyard lights on all night helps protect your neighborhood and your own property. A well-lit yard will enable you to welcome guests, identify strangers and deter crime. The cost of a light bulb is far less than the cost of a break-in or invasion of your home.

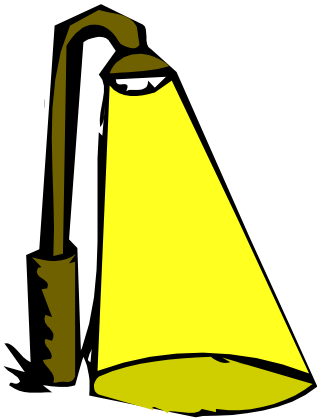


Light up your neighborhood!

Did you know that developers are responsible for streetlight installation?

Many people believe that the City of Mesa is responsible for initial street light installation in your neighborhood. This is a common misconception. Street light installation is the responsibility of the homebuilders, when they construct their developments.

The number and type of streetlights built in your neighborhood when it was new was influenced by the year your neighborhood was built. (The number of streetlights required has changed over time.)



It is important to understand that streetlights are intended to light up your street, not your private property.

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If you have any questions or comments about the information presented here, please contact the Neighborhood Outreach Office at 644-4067.

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*Six methods of shedding more
light on your neighborhood*